GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
POWER
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POWER TO EVERY HOUSE
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) : whether the Government propose to provide power to every house in the country by the year 2012; and

(b) : if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER

(SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA)

(a) & (b) : On the basis of perspective planning studies, the Central Electricity Authority has assessed the requirement of installed capacity of 2,40,000 MW by 2012 in order to provide power on demand to all sectors of the economy.

The Government proposes to ensure the availability of power by undertaking the following measures:

- Accelerated capacity addition programme by Central Public Sector Utilities and State Utilities.

- Improving all the operational efficiency and availability from existing power plants through Renovation/Modernization and life extension programmes.

- Reduction of T&D losses by implementing the projects to strengthen the sub-transmission and distribution network.

- Promoting energy efficiency and conservation.

- Providing a legal framework for mandating corporatization and commercial functioning of the State Electricity Boards and Utilities with the object of improving their financial health.

- Facilitating inter-regional transfer of power by establishing the necessary transmission network; and

- Establishing an administrative, financial and regulatory framework to encourage investment by private sector in the areas of generation, transmission and distribution.